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Driver Charged With Fatal Hit-and-Run in Echo Park

A man is scheduled to be arraigned today on charges that he hit and killed a teen and injured another in Echo Park, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Sang Won Jung (dob 9/15/88) was charged with one count each of felony hit-and-run resulting in death or injury and misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter in case BA437952. He is expected to make his initial court appearance today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

On June 12, Jung was driving in Echo Park about 10 p.m. when he allegedly struck a 15-year-old boy and the victim's cousin at the intersection of Alvarado and Montrose streets. Jung is accused of fleeing the scene after the collision.

Both teens were taken to a hospital. The younger victim was treated for his injuries and released. The 15 year old died two days later.

The day after the crash, Jung went to a Los Angeles police substation and claimed he lent the car to someone else who had been in accident. Police went to a body shop where Jung's car was located and he was arrested shortly thereafter.

If convicted as charged, Jung faces up to five years in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department's Central Traffic Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](http://da.lacounty.gov) prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.